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**AGENTS FOR THE CHINA MAIL.**  
LONDON: F. ALGAR, 11, Old Bailey, Lane.  
Lombard Street. GEORGE SMITH, 30, Cornhill. GORDON & GUTHRIE, 121, Abchurch Lane, E.C. BATES HENDY & CO., 4 Old Jewry, E.C.

**AUSTRALIA, TASMANIA, AND NEW ZEALAND.**—GORDON & GUTHRIE, Melbourne, Sydney, and Auckland.  
**SAN FRANCISCO and American Ports generally.**—WHEAT & BAUER, San Francisco.  
**CHINA.**—GORDON & GUTHRIE, 121, Abchurch Lane, E.C. ROACH, THOMSON & CO., Shanghai, H. FONG & CO., Manila, C. BARNES & CO.

**Arrivals.**  
Feb. 25, Bahama, Brit. str., 715, Ferris, Nagasaki, Shanghai, Amoy, 7th, 21st, 24th, Feb., General, D. LAPRAIK & Co.

**Departures.**  
Feb. 26, Soooloo, for Manila.  
26, Lakhoo, for Yokohama.  
26, Stad Oldenzaal, for Saigon.

**Passengers.**  
ARRIVED.—Per Bahama, 1 European, 2 Chinese.

**Shipping Reports.**  
The Brit. str. Bahama, Capt. Ferris, from the North, reports strong breezes from N.E. On 24th instant, off Cape Point passed S.S. Corda bound up, passed H.M. str. Salamis off Whiting bound in. On 22nd inst. passed H.M. S. Rodney bound up.

**New Advertisements.**  
FOR SHANGHAI.  
The German steamer "VICTOR" will be despatched for the above port to-morrow, the 27th inst. at 5 P.M.  
For Freight or Passage, apply to SIEMSEN & Co. Hongkong, February 26, 1869. m27

**FOR SALE.**  
J. THIRION & Co. Reims CHAMPAGNE "Carte Blanche." Instantaneous uncorking by patent mode. Apply to J. ROSS ANTON, Hongkong, February 22, 1869. m22

**WANTED.**  
A FOREMAN for the Printing Office of the Undersigned, an Englishman preferred. Salary \$100 per month. DE SOUZA & Co. Hongkong, February 20, 1869. mar6

**NAVY CONTRACTS, 1869-70.**  
SEALED TENDERS, marked on the outside TENDER FOR BISQUIT, will be received by the undersigned at or before Noon on SATURDAY, the 6th proximo, for the supply of the following articles for the Navy service, from the 1st April, 1869 to 31st March, 1870, viz:—Biscuit, per lb. English weight. Soft Bread, per lb. Conditions of Contract can be seen, and further particulars obtained, on application at this office.

**NAVY CONTRACTS, 1869-70.**  
SEALED TENDERS, marked on the outside TENDER FOR WATER, will be received by the undersigned at or before Noon on SATURDAY, the 6th proximo, for the supply of Water to H.M. Ships at this place, from the 1st April, 1869, to 31st March, 1870. Conditions of Contract can be seen, and further particulars obtained, on application at this office.

**NAVY CONTRACTS, 1869-70.**  
SEALED TENDERS, marked on the outside TENDER FOR FRESH BEEF, &c. will be received by the undersigned at or before Noon on SATURDAY, the 6th proximo, for the supply of the following articles for the use of the Victrola Line Department, from the 1st April, 1869, to 31st March, 1870, viz:—Fresh Beef, per lb. English weight. Sugar. Vegetables. do. do. do. Raisins. do. do. Rice. do. do. Salt. do. do. Firewood. do. do. Conditions of Contract can be seen, and further particulars obtained, on application at this office.

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**New Advertisements.**  
**HONGKONG AND CHINA GAS COMPANY, LIMITED.**  
NOTICE.—On and after the first day of March next, the office of this Company, situated over the Hongkong Dispensary will be closed. Letters can now be left as heretofore in a box placed for the purpose within the same building. The Company's Stock of Chandlery and other fittings will, after the above date, be on view at the premises of Messrs. A. NEWTON, Hongkong, February 18, 1869. m18

**HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.**  
NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS:—The DIVIDEND declared for the year ending on 31st December last, at the rate of Twelve per cent per annum, say \$7.50 per paid-up Share of \$125, and \$1.50 per Share on which \$25 have been paid, is payable on and after MONDAY, the 22nd instant, at the Office of the Corporation, where Shareholders are requested to apply for Warrants.

**PIRELLA & ZACHARIAE.**  
HAVE received by the last mail the newest style of—  
R.I.P.E.  
now in use by the most fashionable, and as only a few have come into the market, they are sold at a low price.

**ANDREW MILLAR.**  
HOUSE, SHIP, AND STEAM-BOAT PLUMBER, COPPERSMITH & BRASSFOUNDER.  
FOR SALE.  
SHEET COPPER AND COPPER PIPE, assorted sizes and thickness.  
SHEET BRASS AND BRASS PIPE, assorted sizes and thickness.  
SHEET LEAD AND LEAD PIPE, assorted sizes and thickness.  
BRAZING SOLDER AND BORAX.  
Stuffing Box and Plain Plug FLANGE COCKS.  
STEAM WHISTLES, assorted sizes and patterns.  
Engine-room GONGS and BELLS, assorted sizes and patterns.  
TALLOW and WATER SYRINGES.  
Ship's Common and Double Valve WATER CLOSETS.  
IRON, STEEL, COPPER, and BRASS WIRE, assorted sizes.  
BRASS CASTINGS, Executed on Moderate Terms.  
House Water Closets, Urinals, and Wash Hand Basins, in Earthenware and Enamel. Lead Piping, of the most improved principles, and at moderate Terms.  
1, QUEEN'S ROAD EAST AND WILLIAM LANE, Opposite H. M. NAVAL YARD.  
Hongkong, 9th February, 1869. m19

**NOTICE.**  
THE Office of the WANCHI STEAM BAKERY, is removed to the Premises, corner of Wyndham Street and Queen's Road, opposite the Clock Tower.  
All orders left at the above place, or sent to the Bakery at Wanchi, will receive prompt attention.  
L. P. WARD.  
Hongkong, February 15, 1869. m210

**NOTICE.**  
THE Undersigned having purchased the interest of the late Mr. WILLIAM GARRICK, of No. 67, Wyndham Street, and No. 2, Club Chambers, Solicitor, is requested to make payment and all persons having CLAIMS against said ESTATE are notified to send in their CLAIMS to Mr. EDWARD SCHELLHASS, Solicitor, Bank Buildings, on or before the 31st May 1869.

**F. W. MITCHELL.**  
Executor of the Last Will and Testament of the said William Garrick, deceased.  
Hongkong, February 15, 1869. m211

**"JAPAN TIMES" OFFICE.**  
Yokohama, January 26th, 1869.  
HIS is to certify that Mr. J. B. MORRIS is hereby appointed General Agent for the "Japan Times," "Daily Advertiser," and "Japan Overland Mail," Newspapers, and authorized to collect all moneys due on account of the same in Hongkong.  
(For the Proprietors.)  
CHARLES KICKERBY.  
Hongkong, February 5, 1869. m212

**New Advertisements.**  
**BILLIARDS, BOWLS, AND BAR.**  
THE ORIENTAL BAR, BILLIARD ROOMS, and BOWLING ALLEYS, having been enlarged and fitted up in a very superior style, and are now open to the public, the Proprietors Re-open the above on Monday, the 15th January, 1869, to their friends, and the public, and most respectfully invite them to visit the premises, and see the well-known reputation of this old-established House, no merit share of their patronage. There are three first class Billiard Tables in a large airy and well-lighted room. The Bowling Alley needs no comment.  
BROWN & Co., Proprietors.  
Hongkong, January 9, 1869.

**PHOTOGRAPHS IN PURE GOLD ON IVORY.**  
A NEW INVENTION BY W. F. FLOYD.  
THE Undersigned has much pleasure in bringing before the Public, for the first time, an entirely New Invention, for Producing PHOTOGRAPHS on Ivory Wood, Stone, or any other substance—in pure Gold.  
It is a well known fact that Gold is the only Metal that will resist Atmospheric Oxidation; hence these Photographs are Permanent.  
The Prices are about half of the so called Permanent Ivory types, on Gold or Chloride of Silver; the Invention of W. F. FLOYD, Esq., Editor of the Photographic News.  
An Inspection is solicited. Life Size Photographs will be produced at this Establishment in a few days.  
W. F. FLOYD & Co.  
Hongkong, January 30, 1869.

**NOTICE.**  
IS hereby given that Owners or Captain of the American barque "Adela Cuylen," will not be Responsible for any Debts contracted by her Officers or Crew.  
ARNHOLD, KARBURG & Co., Agents.  
Hongkong, February 1, 1869.

**MESSRS. KOSS & Co.**  
TO inform the public of Hongkong that they had established themselves in the premises hitherto occupied by Messrs LADAGE, ORLER & Co.  
Having secured the services of an experienced European Cutter, and also having received large arrivals of a very superior stock of NEW GOODS, of the latest patterns, they are prepared to meet all the requirements of the present season.  
A large stock of Ready-made CLOTHING, of the latest fashions, always on hand.  
KOSS & Co., Queen's Road Central.  
Hongkong, February 5, 1869.

**S. W. BAKER & Co.**  
DEC to invite inspection of their New Late Arrivals, including:—  
Ladies' Hats, Bonnets, Opera Cloaks, Dresses in plain and fancy Silks, Poplins, ettes, Repeared, new Textures, French Robes, ready made, French Sashes, Belts, Jackets and Mantles, new shape, Jupons, white and scarlet Corsets, Lace Collars, Lace and other Trimmings, Ribbons, and Ribbon Velvets in all colors, Hosiery, Kid, Cashmere, and Bronze Boots, white Satin Boots and Kid Gloves. A large assortment of Wool and Embroidery Works, as Cushion Patterns, Smoking Caps, Mosaic Sets, &c.  
Sanger's Umbrellas, Christy's new shape Felt and Shell Hats, a choice lot of Neck Scarfs, Ties, Vests, Collars, Socks, Fancy Tweeds and Coatings, Braces, &c.  
Brussels Carpets, Velvet Pile Carpets and Rugs, All Wool Damasks, Lace Curtains, Table Covers in great variety, Damask Table Cloths in all sizes, Table Napkins, D'Oyleys, Blankets, Counterpanes, Sheetings, Rannels, Wool Mats, Turkish and other Towels, &c.  
Children's Trimmed Hats, Boots, Perambulators, Picture Books, Toys, &c.  
Dressing Cases, and Travelling Bags fitted for Ladies and Gentlemen, Playing Cards, and a large assortment of Stationery and Perfumery Goods.  
S. W. BAKER & Co.  
Hongkong, December 21, 1868.

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Hongkong, February 5, 1869. m212

**Auctions.**  
**PUBLIC AUCTION.**  
LANE, CRAWFORD & Co. have received instructions to sell by Public Auction, in their Sales Room, Queen's Road, on Friday, the 5th March, 1869—  
A well assorted Invoice of Phillipson & Co.'s best Perfumery.  
Comprising Treble Distilled Lavender Water, Rose Water, Stange Oil, Wadi Guards' Bouquet, Jockey Club, Frangipani, Extract of Flowers, West End Bouquet, and numerous other choice Perfumes for the Handkerchief.  
Genuine Naples, Almond Cream, Rypolagen and other shaving Soaps.  
Genuine Bear's Marrow, Genuine French Curling Cream, Molline.  
Jasmin, Rose, Marrow and Millefleurs Oils for the Hair.  
Old Brown, Windsor, Honey, Glycerine and Gelle Fils Naples Toilet Soaps in tablets.  
Odonato, Coral, Antiscorbutic, and Camphorated Dentifrices.  
Etc., Etc., Etc.  
TERMS OF SALE.—Cash before delivery in Mexican Dollars weighed at 7.1.7. All lots with all faults and errors of description at purchaser's risk on the fall of the hammer.  
Hongkong, February 26, 1869. m25

**PUBLIC AUCTION.**  
THE Undersigned has received instructions from the Mortgagee to sell by Public Auction, on WEDNESDAY, the 3rd of March 1869, at Noon, on the Premises, under the power of sale contained in the deed of Mortgage—  
That spacious, handsome and conveniently situated DWELLING HOUSE on CAINE ROAD, built on Inland Lot 157, with the Out Offices and extensive Ground attached. The Lot measures on the North and Northwest 136 feet, on the South (CAINE ROAD) 132 feet, on the East 346 feet, and on the West 331 feet, the total area being 45,103 square feet. The ground rent is \$199.48 per annum.  
For further particulars, apply to the undersigned.  
TERMS OF SALE.—One half of the purchase money to be paid on the fall of the hammer, the balance on completion of the deed of transfer. All expenses of transfer to be paid by the purchaser. The property to be at the risk of the purchaser from the fall of the hammer.  
J. M. ARMSTRONG, Auctioneer.  
Hongkong, January 7, 1869. m23

**PUBLIC AUCTION.**  
THE Undersigned has received instructions to sell by Public Auction, on SATURDAY, the 27th inst., at Noon, on the Ground, the eastern portion of Inland Lot No. 798, with eight substantial Chinese Houses erected thereon, situated at Sympson, and measuring on the North side (Battery Road), 105 feet, on the East side 262 feet, on the South side (Third St.), 81 feet, and on the West side, 213 feet; the total area being about 25,206 square feet.  
The Crown Rent amounts to \$199.60 per annum.  
TERMS OF SALE.—One-half of purchase money to be paid on fall of the hammer, the balance on completion of the transfer.  
The Property to be at the risk of the purchaser from the fall of the hammer.  
All expenses of transfer to be paid by the purchaser.  
For further particulars apply to H. KLEZ, Auctioneer.  
Hongkong, February 20, 1869. m27

**PUBLIC AUCTION.**  
THE Undersigned has received instructions to sell by Public Auction, on FRIDAY, the 5th day of March, 1869, at Noon, on the premises—  
Those Lots of LAND, situated in Queen's Road East, a short distance beyond the Eastern Market, and registered in the Land Office, as—  
Inland Lot No. 517, containing in the whole 4000 square feet.  
The Lot contains a substantially-built two storied Godown.  
Inland Lot No. 526, containing in the whole 8000 square feet.  
For further particulars, apply to the Undersigned.  
TERMS OF SALE.—One-half of the Purchase money to be paid on the fall of the hammer, and the balance on completion of the deeds of transfer, the expenses of which to be paid by the Purchaser.  
Property to be at the risk of the Purchaser from the fall of the hammer.  
J. M. ARMSTRONG, Auctioneer.  
Hongkong, February 19, 1869. m25

**Auctions.**  
**PUBLIC AUCTION.**  
HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE, PLATED GLASS & CROCKERY WARE, &c.  
LANE, CRAWFORD & Co. have received instructions to sell by Public Auction, on TUESDAY, the 2nd March, at Noon, at Brook Cottage, the residence of G. J. PARKER, Esq.—  
The whole of that Gentleman's FURNITURE, comprising—Mahogany, Damask-covered Chairs, Couches, Marble and other Tables, a Piano, Pictures, Lamps, Plated, Glass and Crockery Ware, Sideboard, Wardrobes, Washstands, Bedsteads, &c., &c., &c.  
An Aviary, with a fine collection of Birds, Flower Pots with choice Plants, Saddlery, etc.  
A few dozen of very superior dry Pale and Brown Sherry, Champagne, Hook, Claret, Brandy, Whiskey, &c., &c., &c.  
TERMS OF SALE.—Cash before delivery in Mexican Dollars weighed at 7.1.7. All Lots, with all faults and errors of description, at purchaser's risk on the fall of the hammer.  
Hongkong, February 22, 1869. m22

**PUBLIC AUCTION.**  
BOWRA & Co. will sell by Public Auction, by order and at the Godowns of Messrs JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., East Point, on MONDAY, 1st March, 1869, at Noon,—  
(For the benefit of the concerned.)  
15 bales Grey Shirtings.  
4 bales T-Cloths.  
12 bales Cotton Yarn.  
More or less damaged by sea water.  
TERMS OF SALE.—Cash before delivery in Mexican Dollars weighed at 7.1.7.  
Hongkong, February 25, 1869. m21

**PUBLIC AUCTION.**  
THE Property at Fochow, known as DENT & Co.'s, will be offered for sale by Public Auction, in June next, unless previously disposed of by private contract.  
The Property consists of:—  
DWELLING HOUSE, containing 8 Rooms and Bath Rooms, with Servants' Offices and Stables detached; the whole surrounded by a Garden.  
This House is let on a short Lease at \$150 per month.  
OFFICES AND GODOWNS.  
A House containing 4 Offices and Spacious Tea Room, with fire-proof Godowns, large Treasury, and Copradores' Rooms below, Servants' Offices &c., attached.  
Three large Godowns, A, B, and C, adjoining the above.  
This property has water frontage, is situated in the most eligible portion of the business quarter of Fochow, and is let on a Repairing Lease for 5 years, commencing from the 1st May next, at the annual rental of \$4,500.  
For further particulars, apply at the Office of the Trustees, No. 7, Pedder's Hill.  
Hongkong, February 1, 1869.

**Banks.**  
**HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.**  
SUBSCRIBED CAPITAL, FIVE MILLIONS OF DOLLARS.  
CHAIRMAN—MR. F. HEARD, Esq.  
DEPUTY CHAIRMEN—JULIUS MENKE, Esq. GEORGE J. HELLAND, Esq. J. B. TAYLOR, Esq.  
WILLIAM LEMANN, Esq. J. P. DUNCANSON, Esq.  
W. H. FORBES, Esq. RICHARD ROWETT, Esq. S. D. SASSOON, Esq.  
And, E. R. BELIZON, Esq., Managers.  
Hongkong, . . . VICTOR KRESSER, Esq., Chief Manager.  
Shanghai, . . . DAVID MACLEAN, Esq., LONDON BANKERS.—London and County Bank.



## Notices of Firms.

THE interest and responsibility of Mr. GEORGE WILHELM SCHWENK and of Mr. RUDOLPH EISENBERG in our firm ceased on the 31st December 1867, and 31st December 1868 respectively.

Mr. FERDINAND NISSEN and Mr. HEINRICH HOFFMANN have this day been admitted partners in our firm at Hongkong and in China, which now consists of Mr. GEORGE WILHELM SCHWENK, Mr. RUDOLPH EISENBERG, Mr. FERDINAND NISSEN, Mr. ADOLPH JOEST, Mr. FERDINAND NISSEN and Mr. HEINRICH HOFFMANN.

SCHWENK & Co.  
Hongkong, January 1, 1869.

NOTICE.  
I HAVE this day established myself as a Public Accountant, Average Adjuster and General Commission Agent.  
O. LANGDON DAVIES.  
Hongkong, July 1, 1868.

NOTICE.  
THE interest and responsibility of Mr. H. D. BROWN in our firm ceases from this date.  
H. D. BROWN & Co.  
Amoy, December 31, 1868.

MR. FRANCIS CHOMLEY is a Partner in our firm, which from this date will be conducted under the name of BROWN & Co.  
H. D. BROWN & Co.  
Amoy, January 1, 1869.

NOTICE.  
MR. WILLIAM JUDSON BLYDENBURG, and Mr. GEORGE HURLBURT are admitted partners in our firm.  
MR. HENRY OUTLER now sign our firm pro hac vice.  
SMITH ARCHER & Co.  
Hongkong, January 1, 1869.

I HAVE this day authorized Mr. O. LANGDON DAVIES to sign my name pro hac vice for all orders for goods supplied to the Hongkong Hotel, and I alone am liable for goods supplied upon such order.  
I have further authorized Mr. DAVIES to collect all debts due to me on Hotel account, for which his receipt will be a sufficient discharge.  
LEE AFOONG.  
Hongkong, December 1, 1868.

NOTICE.  
FROM and after this date Mr. GEORGE F. BOWMAN will act as AGENT of the Pacific Mail Steamship Company at this Port.  
S. L. PHELPS,  
Agent.  
Hongkong, August 16, 1867.

NOTICE.  
I HAVE established myself at this port as General Commission Merchant, under the style and firm of GIFFORD F. PARKER & Co.  
GIFFORD FORBES PARKER.  
Saigon, December 20, 1867.

NOTICE.  
WE have authorized Mr. CLAUD BUDDE to sign our firm from this date.  
DREYER & Co.  
Hongkong, January 1, 1868.

NOTICE.  
MR. D. O. CLARK retires from our firm, and Mr. J. MURRAY FORBES and Mr. E. D. BARBOUR are admitted Partners from this date.  
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Board of Appointment how to be constituted.  
The Board of Appointment shall consist of the Harbour Master, as President, the (one) Senior Pilot, and two persons whose names shall be drawn by lot by the Harbour Master, from a list prepared and published by the Harbour Master, in consultation with the Consuls and Chambers of Commerce.

GENERAL REGULATION IV.  
Vacancies how to be filled up.  
1.—Whenever there may be a vacancy among the Pilots, it shall be duly notified in the local prints; and eight days afterwards, the Board of Appointment shall proceed to fill it up by a competitive Examination.

2.—The Board may refuse to admit to the Examination any one who having once been a Licensed Pilot, has had his License withdrawn; and also any candidate who is unable to produce Consular certificates as to character, &c., &c.

3.—The Examination shall be public and gratuitous, and the successful candidate shall be given to the most competent of the candidates, without distinction of nationality, provided always the competency of the first on the list be not relative but absolute.

4.—The Consul concerned may in person or by deputy, be present and take part in the Examination of candidates.

5.—The majority of the votes of the members of the Board shall decide the admission of candidates for Pilot Licenses; each member having one vote in the ballot; but in the absence of the Consul concerned the Harbour Master shall have a casting vote.

GENERAL REGULATION V.  
Pilot's License, by whom to be issued.  
1.—Pilot's Licenses shall be issued by the Commissioner of Customs, in the name and on behalf of the Chinese Government. Licenses issued to Pilots not being Natives of China shall subsequently be voided and registered at the Consulate concerned.

2.—On the first of July each year, every Pilot shall pay the sum of Ten Haikwan Taels for the renewal of his License.

3.—Every Licensed Pilot shall be given a printed copy of the General Regulations and Local Rules, and shall produce the same as well as his License when required.

GENERAL REGULATION VI.  
Apprentice Pilots how to be taken.  
1.—It shall be allowable for each Licensed Pilot to take an Apprentice, for whom he shall be responsible. On the Application of the Pilot the Harbour Master will supply an apprentice with a special certificate.

2.—When the circumstances of the Pilot appear to demand it, the Harbour Master may authorize apprentices to act temporarily, and within certain limits, as Pilots, provided they have received certificates of competency from the Board of Appointment.

GENERAL REGULATION VII.  
Licensed Pilots to whom subordinated: Unlicensed Pilots, &c.  
1.—Licensed Pilots may carry on their business either singly or in companies. They must pay due respect to the wishes and instructions of the Harbour Master under whose orders and control they are placed, and who is invested with power to suspend or dismiss, subject to an appeal to the Consul concerned. When the Pilot's a foreigner the appeal to be lodged within three days.

2.—If guilty of any misconduct for which Consular punishment has been indicated, or if proved to have committed any offence against Revenue Laws, the individual concerned may be suspended or dismissed by the Harbour Master subject to an appeal to his Consul. If a foreigner the appeal to be lodged within three days.

3.—Any one piloting without License, or making use of another's License, shall be subject to prosecution, before his own authorities, who will deal with the offender in accordance with the Laws of his own country. Any Pilot landing his License to another will be proceeded against and dealt with in the same way, in addition to forfeiting his License.

4.—Any commanding officer employing an unlicensed person to pilot his vessel will be liable to be fined in the sum of One Hundred Taels by the authorities to whose jurisdiction he is amenable.

GENERAL REGULATION VIII.  
Pilot Boats; Regulations to be observed.  
1.—Pilot Boats shall be registered with their crews at the Harbour Master's Office, where each Boat will be given a certificate and number. The word "Licensed Pilot Boat" shall with the number be legibly painted at the stern, and on the head of the mainmast, and a Flag of which upper horizontal half shall be yellow and the lower green, shall be flown. Such registered Pilot Boats shall deposit their national papers with their Consul or the Customs; they shall be at liberty to move freely within the limits of the Port and Pilotage ground, and shall be exempt from Tonnage Dues. On the requisition of the Harbour Master or his deputies, it will be obligatory on registered Pilot Boats to convey from place to place within the limits employees belonging to either Customs or Harbour Master's Department with such stores as may be wanted for either Light House or Light Ships.

2.—Every Licensed Pilot Boat shall pay a fee of Twenty Taels for renewal of License on 1st of July each year.

3.—In case of a Pilot going off in an unregistered Boat he will be authorized to carry the Pilot Boat Flag during the time he is on board, but no Pilot is authorized to cruise in an unregistered Boat without special permission from the Harbour Master.

4.—The owner or hirer of an unregistered Boat making use of a Pilot Flag and not having a Licensed Pilot on board shall be prosecuted before the authorities to whom he is amenable or whose flag or national ensign he has the right to use.

5.—A Registered Pilot Boat is not permitted to fly the Pilot Flag save when there is either a Licensed Pilot or a certificated apprentice on board.

GENERAL REGULATION IX.  
Harbour Pilot, Vessels in Harbour.  
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**LOCAL.**

We learn, and are sorry to have to state, that Mr. Sim lost his pedestrian "wager of battle" this afternoon by two minutes and a half. Never mind, let Mr. Sim study *Basilford* and try again.

The gun-vessel, yacht, pleasure-boat, screw-steamer or sailing schooner called the *Victoria* was launched from the Union Dock Company's Kowloon Yard last night. As the tide was full about 8 o'clock, the launch took place as near that time as the dusk of evening would allow, viz., about half-past six. There were present a large number of friends interested, both ladies and gentlemen; and as the *Victoria* slid down the ways, she was christened by Mrs. Kresser, in a bottle of port (P.), to the shouts of "anvices" and hearty cheers given all round. The schooner went off without a fault, and gliding into the water as smoothly as possibly could have been, was brought up ere she had floated many yards; and the *Little Orphan* steamed down again with the guests who had come over to see the sight, while the health of the *Victoria* and the U. D. C. were drunk. H. E. the Governor and Lady MacDonnell, who were expected, did not arrive, though the *Orphan* was sent back to make inquiries; and His Excellency's yacht was therefore sent into the water without the presence of its originator. The Government steam-launch *Blanche* (built by the same company), and the little *Pix* were in full working order, and transported a portion of the visitors to the Kowloon side and back. The *Victoria*, as well in the water, and on the land, was likely to justify general expectations of her sailing qualities; but it is nevertheless apparent that, if very considerable steaming power be not put into her, her success as a steamer cannot be very great. She is solidly built, and when fitted will be a most convenient and comfortable craft; but her solidity of build will require something more than 45 or 50 horse-power to propel her with any degree of speed. Complete success attended the launch, and it is generally admitted that the company and Mr. Anderson (who designed and built the *Victoria*) deserve great credit for the manner in which they have carried out their contract so far as it has gone. If there be any failure on the part of the yacht (or gun-vessel), we are of opinion that it will be in the defective steaming power put into her hull, and not in the hull itself, or the wood-work generally.

**TO-DAY'S POLICE.**

Mr. May had very little before him of public interest to-day; and there was nothing worth noting on the sheets whither. The case of Lin-tung-tang, who was charged with having attempted to utter a forged Bank note for \$5, and remanded, was resumed; but upon the application of Inspector Oradock, a remand was granted—prisoner being bailed in the sum of \$200. The investigation of the charge against the two Chinamen of stealing a bale of silk from the ship *Windward*, was continued; and both prisoners were committed to the Supreme Court. Bail was refused. The perjury case, arising out of a Summary Court suit decided by Judge Ball some ten days since, was continued this afternoon; but the minutiae of the affair have already been given, and are not of sufficient importance to demand further notice. Mr. Hazelland (officially) appeared for the prosecution, and Mr. Sharp appeared on behalf of the prisoner. The case was being proceeded with when our Reporter left.

**DISASTROUS FIRE IN SINGAPORE.**

A most disastrous fire broke out in Commercial Square on the night of the 18th inst. about 11 o'clock, lasting till day-break on the 19th. The fire originated in the large godowns occupied by Messrs. Locke, Hong Ghee & Co., which were totally destroyed. The Office of the *Straits Times* was above these godowns. All the type, printing-presses, printing-paper, and whole plant of the Office were totally consumed. The roof of the adjacent building occupied by the Oriental Bank caught fire last, and, despite every effort to master the fire, the whole block was burnt down to the ground. All the notes and books of the bank were saved. The bullion in the Treasury was not moved as not much harm could be done to it. The *Straits Times* Office was insured for \$10,000; Messrs. Locke, Hong Ghee & Co.'s stock for \$74,000; the Bank building for \$30,000, and furniture \$3500. The total loss is estimated at \$150,000 to 200,000.

**HONGKONG & WHAMPOA DOCK CO. (LIMITED).**

[We have been requested to publish the following letter.]

HONGKONG, February 26, 1869.

DEAR SIR, I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 24th inst., and, having placed the same before the Board of Directors of this Company, I have been instructed to address you in reply to the following effect. The Directors are fully aware that a proposal for the adoption of a uniform scale of rates was submitted by your Company nearly four years ago, which at the time was rejected owing to the inability of your Company to compete on equal terms; but when the position was changed, and your Kowloon Dock completed, or near its completion, you admit your

self that Mr. Burrows spoke to one or more Members of your Board, and your Directors had then arrived at the conclusion that they would not be consulting the interests of your shareholders by entering into any arrangement about a uniform scale of rates, and you fully explained the reasons why. The Directors of the Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Company could therefore make no further overture to your Board, seeing you refused to come to terms when your Company attained the position of a rival, and when it would have been of advantage to both companies to adopt uniform rates.

Next come to your remarks regarding the statements made by Mr. Holland. First: Mr. Holland never meant to convey to the shareholders of this Company present at the meeting on the 19th inst., the idea that official communications had passed between the two Companies about an amalgamation; but public rumours were circulating that such a scheme was meditated, and he therefore thought it his duty to explain to the shareholders that in his opinion one of the greatest obstacles in the way of an amalgamation was, the value placed upon the Union property at Whampoa, and he leaves the public to judge what may be the value of public property in any of them, and in black-and-white, while at the same time he does not deny the right of any Company to estimate their assets at any given value. Another fact, the abandonment of your establishment at Whampoa, (at the least for the present), Mr. Holland thinks tends to show that your Directors cannot much appreciate the interests of the Company in that locality, when they leave the same, about one third of the whole paid up capital of the Company unproductive and forsaken.

Second: Mr. Holland came to the conclusion that the Union Dock Company could go on only a short time at present rates, when reflecting that shareholders of your Company are human, and like shareholders in other Companies, desirous of receiving some return upon their investments; and considering that no dividend has, as yet, been declared since the formation of your Company, and the last year's accounts show a loss of \$3,800.27. Mr. Holland thought the shareholders must eventually see their own interests and have their business managed in a different manner. Of course if the shareholders of the Union Dock Company prefer receiving no dividend from year to year nobody can prevent them obtaining such highly gratifying results.

Thirdly: Mr. Holland is much pleased to learn that his informant "has grossly deceived him" about the estimated loss on the Government Yacht, and that there is no foundation whatever in the alleged loss of \$8,000. Mr. Hol had been informed that this vessel ought to have been finished within a given time, and that a penalty of a certain sum would be exacted if not ready in time, and he thereon estimated the loss at the sum stated, and he trusts when the vessel has been accepted by Government and the accounts settled, your Directors will find the building of vessels highly remunerative and yielding dividends to shareholders.

The Directors of the Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Company have further instructed me to express their regret that you should have singled out the remarks of Mr. Holland, one of our oldest Directors, who has no ill feelings towards your Company; and finally I am desired to report that this Company is even now willing to come to some understanding about a uniform scale of rates, if such can be settled upon a satisfactory basis and with a penalty on each side for any infringement of the same. As you have thought fit to publish the letter you addressed me, you will excuse me for having forwarded a copy of my reply to the Local papers for insertion.

I have the honor to be Dear Sir,

Yours faithfully,

G. N. MINTO,

Secretary.

Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Co. Limited.

R. S. WALKER, Esq.,

Chairman Union Dock Company of Hongkong and Whampoa, Limited.

**SUPREME COURT.**

**CRIMINAL SESSIONS.**

(Before the Hon. the Chief Justice.)  
The Judge sat at ten o'clock; but decision in the case of admissions, argued with the Attorney General a few days ago, was adjourned until Wednesday.

**IN BANKRUPTCY.**

The O. J. sat at eleven o'clock.  
Charles Collins, bankrupt, second clerk at the Magistrate, appeared for his final examination.

The Chief Justice commented on some of the peculiar aspects of this case. There were no assets, and the bankrupt had kept no books. His Lordship adjourned the hearing for a fortnight, instructing the bankrupt in the meantime to prepare a statement of his indebtedness on Jan. 1, 1869; also a statement of his indebtedness in 1864 or 1865, when he borrowed money from Mr. Kier.

The final examination was adjourned accordingly, and the Chief Justice refused protection during the fortnight intervening the day fixed for the adjourned and final hearing.

Mr. Sharp appeared, on behalf of M. D. de Castilla, to apply for an adjudication in bankruptcy. Mr. Sharp drew the attention of the Court to the fact that the petitioner had been in the custody of the Guel Governor for the last three months, under Court precepts obtained at the instance of Mr. Boyer and Mr. Falconer.

The Chief Justice asked for particulars; they might be debts incurred by misrepresentation, or things at least might not be altogether straight and right.

Messrs. Falconer and Boyer having been sent for, Mr. Sharp explained that the time had expired for Mr. Boyer's claim, and that the petitioner was held in custody by Mr. Falconer. The petitioner was a ship's husband, and supplied Spanish vessels with all sorts of stores; the account with Mr. Falconer for \$250 was for marine instruments supplied to ships.

Mr. Falconer stated that the bill against the petitioner was for steam-gauges supplied; he got a promise of a cheque for the amount at the time, but never received the cheque; and the reason he had petitioner arrested was because he had told so many lies about it. In reply to the Court, Mr. F. further stated that he had heard that the petitioner had money; but he supposed that such must be incorrect, and that petitioner's position was owing probably more to misfortune than to deliberate fraud. He would

not continue to force petitioner, as he did not believe he could pay the money, and no object could be gained.

His Lordship remarked that it was no reason that a debtor should be released simply because he sought the protection of the Bankruptcy Act.

Mr. Falconer replied that he would proceed no farther in the matter.  
Mr. Sharp said that it was most inconvenient to have to make out a bankrupt's schedule in Gael; but his Lordship said that it was easy enough with the heads of the schedule clearly laid down. However, the discharge from custody rested with Mr. Falconer.

The schedule was therefore ordered to be presented on or before Friday next, when the question of adjudication would be considered.

**IN ADMIRALTY.**

(Re "Douglas.")

The Registrar's Report, in this case, was brought in by Mr. Hazelland (for Mr. H. C. Caldwell, Proctor for the Dock Company), and not being objected to (because of the probable expense and loss of time of arguing the objection) by Mr. Francis, Proctor for the Impugnant, Captain Morrison of the *Douglas*, was confirmed.

This report recommended that \$200 be struck off the Dock Company's Bill, that the costs of the cause exclusive of the reference be paid by Captain Morrison, and that each party pays its own costs of the reference. The report did not give any reason why the \$200 were struck off.

The Dock Company's Bill was objected to on account of alleged bad workmanship, needless delay, overcharge and want of proper superintendence.

**ARRIVAL OF THE ENGLISH MAIL.**

The P. & O. steamer *Ellora*, Captain Murray, from Bombay with dates to the 5th, 6th, 10th, 15th, 20th and 25th, arrived at the Singapore 18th inst., bringing the *Europe* Mail of 9th-15th January, arrived this afternoon.

The *Ellora* carries 78 bales Cotton, and 644 chests Malva Opium for Hongkong, and 397 chests of the same drug for Shanghai. The following is the amount of bullion brought by the present Mail:—In silver, Hongkong, M. M. Government, \$24,638; to Foochow, \$1,500.

The following are the latest Telegrams dated London:

26th Jan.—Mr. Lowe, the Chancellor of the Exchequer, has made a speech in which he promised the most rigid economy in every operation of the Government, in order to lighten taxation. The prospect of the British Indian Telegraph Company for making a line between Suez and Bombay has been issued. Viscount North has accepted the Chairmanship of the French Atlantic Telegraph Cable Company. Latest advice from Spain state that the Diplomatic body at Madrid has protested against the insult offered to the Papal Nuncio, and that the provincial Government has expressed its regret. Latest telegrams from Constantinople of to-day's date state that the hope is increasing that Greece will adhere to the declaration of the Paris Conference. The Emperor of Russia has strongly recommended a conciliatory reply on the part of Greece.

30th Jan.—Mr. Ripley, the newly-elected member of Parliament for Bradford, has been unseated. The petitions against the elections of the members of Parliament for Croydon and Athlone have been withdrawn. The indictment against the Directors of Messrs. Overend, Gurney and Co., has been removed to the Court of Queen's Bench. Advice from Berlin state that the Prussian Chambers have sanctioned the confiscation of the property of the King of Hanover. Count Walewski, who is the bearer of the Protocol of the Paris Conference, as also of a letter from the Emperor Napoleon, has arrived at Athens. The belief is increasing that Greece will adhere to the Declaration, in consequence of Russia advising adherence to it.

4th Feb.—Latest intelligence from Algeria states that a battle has taken place in which 1,200 French Soldiers completely defeated 2,800 Natives. The native troops are now pursuing them. Latest advice from Spain state that the Carlists had arrived at anagosa. Telegrams from Saint Petersburg, of yesterday's date, state that an Imperial Ukase has been issued authorizing a private company to commence levelling for a Railway between Orel and the Caspian Sea.

(No date).—Most disastrous gales have occurred in England, causing immense loss of shipping and property. Government has in contemplation a reduction to the extent of 10,000 men of the troops in the Colonies, India excluded. The election at Belfast has been decided for the Unionists. Heavy floods have occurred both in England and Ireland. Advice from Berlin state that the Prussian diet has sanctioned the confiscation of the property of the Rector of Hesse. It is asserted that Greece will yield to the decision of the Paris Conference. Latest telegrams from Spain state that Protestant services have taken place in Madrid, and great indignation been made in favor of religious liberty. General Prim has declared that freedom of worship in Spain is now an accomplished fact. Other questions have been referred to the Cortes. Advice from Washington, of date 30th January, state that Congress has resolved upon an amendment of the Constitution in order to prohibit the denial of the suffrage on account of race or colour. The votes were 147 in favor and 42 against.

30th Jan.—Judgment in the case of Phillips versus Eyre has been given in favor of Eyre.

3rd Feb.—Liverpool cotton market very firm. Fair Dhollora, 9s. 7 lbs. Grey Shirtings, 9s. 14d. 8s. 10s. 9d. 40s. Twist, 1s. 3d. Straits Lin, 211d. Gambier, 18s. 6d. Sago flour, 16s. 6d. Black Pepper, 54d. White, 64d.

4th Feb.—The Government has refused the petition of the Irish Bishop in favor of instituting an Irish Convocation. Colonel Henderson has been appointed the Chief Commissioner of the London Police, in succession to Sir Richard Mayne. The Shares of the British Indian Telegraph Company have all been allotted.

Constantinople, 6th Feb.—The Prince and Princess of Wales have arrived at Alexandria. The Greek Ministry has resigned. Further fighting has taken place in Algeria.

London, 6th February.—Latest advice from Paris announces the death of the Marquis de Montebello. A Manifesto has been issued by the Irish Bishops inviting the counsel and co-operation of the Laity. Sir Arthur Guinness has been unseated for

Dublin, and Mr. Phipps for Westbury. It is stated that the health of the Queen will prevent her opening Parliament in person. London, 7th February.—Advice from Constantinople of to-day's date state that the Greek Ministry continues at Athens. The Greek Ministry which had been formed, immediately afterwards broke up. The Sublime Porte has made a further allowance of eight days for Greece to reply to the Protocol of the Paris Conference.

The Overland, Quinzy Prospector.—This case goes on slowly, but some astonishing revelations have been made, among others that the actual profits during the time the new company traded were \$4,000 instead of \$220,000, as stated by the directors; and that at the time of the transfer the liabilities of the old firm were \$24,000,000 instead of \$3,843,000, as represented. On each adjournment the defendants are released on heavy bail.

**STORY OF A LAND SLIP.**

Giuseppe, a young vine-grower in a village at the foot of the mountains looking toward Messina, in Sicily, was in love with Maria, the daughter of the richest bee-master of the place, and his affection, to the great displeasure of the father, was returning.

The old man, though he had encouraged him at first, wished her to marry a young profligate in the city, because the latter was richer and of higher stock; but the girl had a great deal of good sense as well as feeling; and the father was puzzled how to separate them, the families having been long acquainted. He did everything in his power to render the visits of the lover uncomfortable to both parties; but so they saw through his object, and love can endure a great deal, he at length thought himself compelled to make use of insult.

Contriving, therefore, one day to proceed from one mortifying way to another, he took upon him, as if in right of offence, to anticipate his daughter's attention to the parting guest, and show him out of the door himself, adding a broad hint that it might be as well if he did not return very soon.

"Perhaps, Signor Antonio," said the youth, piqued at last to say something harsh himself, "you do not wish the son of your old friend to return at all?"

"Perhaps not," said the bee-master.

"What!" said the poor lad, losing all the courage of his anger in the terrible thought of his never having any more of those beautiful letters out of the door by Maria; "what do you mean to say that I may not hope to be invited again, even by yourself—that you, yourself will never again invite me, or come to see me?"

"Oh, we shall all come, of course," to the great Signor Giuseppe, said the old man, looking scornful, "all cap in hand."

"Nay, nay," returned Giuseppe, in a tone of propitiation; "I'll wait till you do me the favor to look in some morning, in the old way, and have a chat about the French; and perhaps," added he, blushing, "you will then bring Maria with you, as you used to do, and I won't attempt to see her till then."

"Oh, we'll all come, of course," said Antonio, impatiently, "cat, dog, and all; and when we do," added he, in a very significant tone, "you may come again yourself."

Giuseppe tried to laugh at this jest, and thus still mitigated his rage; but the old man, hesitating to shut the door, angrily cried:—

"Ay, cat, dog, and all, and the cottage besides, with Maria's dowry along with it, and then you may come again, and not till then."

And so saying, he banged the door, and giving a furious look at poor Maria, went into another room to scrawl a note to the young citizen.

The young citizen came in vain, and Antonio grew sulky and angrier every day, till at last he turned his lastest into a new; sustaining, with an oath, that Giuseppe should never have his daughter till he (the father), daughter, dog, cat, cottage, beehives, and all, with her dowry, of almonds, trees to boot, set out some fine morning to beg the young vine-dresser to accept them.

Poor Maria grew thin and pale, and Giuseppe looked little better, turning all his side words into sighs, and often interrupting his work to sit and look toward the said almond trees, which formed a beautiful clump on an ascent upon the other side of the glen, sheltering the best of Antonio's beehives, and composing a pretty dower for the pretty Maria, which the father longed to see in the possession of the flashy young citizen.

One morning, after a very sultry night, as the poor youth endeavored to catch a glimpse of her in this direction, he observed that the clouds gathered in a very unusual manner over the country, and then low in the air, heavy and immovable. Toward Messina the sky looked so red, that at first he thought the city on fire, till the unusual heat affecting him, and a smell of sulphur arising, and the little river at his feet assuming a tinge of muddy ash color, he knew that some









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Post-Office Notifications.

It is hereby notified that, under the authority of a Treasury Warrant dated the 1st May last, Superintending, or First-Class Schoolmasters in the Army will, in future, be entitled to the same privileges in regard to Letters sent by or addressed to them on their own private affairs as are at present enjoyed by Commissioned Officers in the Army; and all Army Schoolmasters of all but the First-Class rank are to the same privileges, in regard to their Letters, are enjoyed by in Commissioned Officers and Private Soldiers.

F. W. MITCHELL, Postmaster General, Hongkong, July 31, 1868.

It is hereby notified that, under the provisions of a Treasury Warrant dated the 7th May, the Postage on a Letter not exceeding half an ounce in weight posted in Hongkong or at any of the Ports in China and Japan addressed to Hongkong or posted in Egypt addressed to Hongkong, or any of the Ports in China and Japan, and conveyed in the Mails by British Packet, is reduced from Twenty-four Cents to Twelve Cents.

For Letters exceeding half an ounce in weight a further rate of Twelve Cents for each half ounce is chargeable.

Prepayment of the Postage is compulsory. F. W. MITCHELL, Postmaster General, Hongkong, July 15, 1868.

General Post Office, Hongkong, July 15, 1868.

On the 1st October next, and thereafter, Money Orders will be issued at this Office and at the Agencies thereof at Shanghai and Yokohama on all the Money Order Offices in the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, for amounts not exceeding £10, at the rate of Exchange Current for each Mail, and charged with Commission according to the following Scale, viz:—

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For sums not exceeding £2.....	12
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2.-No Money Order to include a fractional part of a Penny.	



**HONGKONG.**

## Exclusive of Arrivals, Departures and Clearances reported to-day

Vessel's Name and Where Anchored.	Captain.	Flag and Rig.	Tons.	Date of Arrival.	Consignees or Agents.	Destination.	Intended Despatch.
<b>STEAMERS</b>				<b>1865-66.</b>			
Aden	WC Andrews	Brit. str.	812	January 13	P. & O. S. N. Co		
Douglas	WC Toppin	Brit. str.	616	Feb. 25	Douglas Lapraik & Co	Syow, &c.	
Dupleix	WC Noel	Fch. str.	1900	Feb. 18	Messageries Impariales	Shanghai	
El Kine	W Pinel	Brit. str.	1044	Feb. 14	A. Heard & Co	Shanghai	
Furuyama	WC Dandas	Brit. str.	710	Feb. 18	Douglas Lapraik & Co	S'pore & Penang	
Ganges	WC Oates	Brit. str.	1200	Feb. 20	P. & O. S. N. Co		
Nada	WC Wood	Brit. str.	718	Feb. 10	Olyphant & Co		
Sunda	WC Soames	Brit. str.	1812	Feb. 19	P. & O. S. N. Co	S'pore & B'ay.	
Titana	W Hamlin	Tahit. str.	805	January 21	A. Heard & Co		
Venocora	WC Costilla	Span. str.		Feb. 22	Spanish Consul		
Venus	W Cumming	Amer. str.	677	August 30	A. Heard & Co		
Ynlcan	W Voss	N. Ger. str.	492	Feb. 7	E. Schellhaus & Co	Yokohama, &c.	
Yung-hai-an	WC Morrison	Russ. str.	447	October 19	Landstein & Co		

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Vessel's Name.	Captain.	Flag & Rig.	Tons.	Date of Arrival.	Consignee or Agents.	Destination.	Intended Despatch.
Arthur	Crosby	mer. bk.	250	January 26	Russell & Co		
Artha	Mooney	Brit. str.	285	Feb.	25 Douglas Laiprak & Co		
Arpa	Moller	N. Ger. str.	643	Feb.	14 Siemssen & Co	Shanghai	
Arpa	Hoffmeister	N. Ger. sch.	223	Feb.	24 Melchers & Co	Tientsin	
Arpa	Bahrfeld	N. Ger. bk.	226	Feb.	18 Wm. Pusqu & Co		
Arpa	Pittman	Brit. str.	498	Feb.	8 Douglas Laiprak & Co	Shanghai, &c.	
Arpa		Dan. bk.	227	Feb.	4	Tientsin	
Arpa	Schneegans	N. Ger. bk.	450	Feb.	3 Siemssen & Co	Yokohama	
Arpa	Gaine	Brit. str.	777	Feb.	26 Borneo Company		

## Miscellaneous

# MEN-OF-WAR IN HONGKONG HARBOUR

# CHINESE GUN-VESSELS IN CANTON WATERS

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